which includes: (i) peer education and counselling; (ii) syringe/needle exchange; (iii) disinfection of used syringes and needles; (iv) condom promotion; (v) treatment of sexually transmitted infections; and (vi) care and support and de-addiction services. The National AIDS Control Organisation is coordinating with the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment in respect of drug de-addiction programme in the country, particularly in the north-eastern States. NGOs supported by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment for de-addiction programme have been sensitized to integrate HIV/AIDS prevention among drug addicts.

Setting-up of PGI in Dr. RML Hospital

1947. SHRI SUDARSHAN AKARAPU:
SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Post-Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research is proposed to be set-up at Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the proposed institute, besides providing facilities for medical research, would also provide arrangements for advanced patient care; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Details are yet to be finalized.

Scheme for free medical check up for senior citizens

1948. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
DR. ABRAR AHMED:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme for free medical check up for senior citizens in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of such a scheme in the State of Rajasthan; and

(d) the implementation of such scheme at various levels in Rajasthan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) A national policy on Older Persons was brought out in 1999 and subsequently various steps were taken by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment for implementation of the policy.These steps, *inter-alia,* also include the steps taken to provide adequate health care facilities to senior citizens of the country. However, medical facilities are free for everyone in the Government Hospitals.

(c) and (d) As Health is a subject included in the State list, the implementation of such scheme is the responsibility of the Government of Rajasthan.

Recognition to EHRC, Faridabad

1949. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 4087 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 6th May, 2002 and state:

(a) the details of the team which visited EHRC, Faridabad recently for the purpose of recognizing it under CGHS for the benefit of Central Government Employees residing/working in Faridabad;

(b) the details of the report submitted by the above team;

(c) by when recognition will be given to EHRC; and

(d) the details of terms and conditions for grant of recognition?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) For the purpose of recognition under CGHS Delhi, the Escorts Hospital & Research Centre, Faridabad was inspected by Dr. Sudhir Chandra, Addl. DDG (M); Dr. S. Chug, HOD Medicine, Dr. RML Hospital; Dr. A.N. Sinha, HOD Surgery, Safdarjung Hospital; Dr. Mridula Pawar, HOD Anaesthesia, Dr. RML Hospital; Dr. Chauhan, HOD Radiology, Dr. RML Hospital; Dr. Chaturvedi, HOD Lab., Dr. RML Hospital; and Dr. (Smt.) U. Mahajan, Joint Director (M), CGHS (HQ).